IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
CIVIL APPELLATE JURISDICTION

WRIT PETITION NO.170 OF 2005

Anil Shashikant Abhangrao — Petitioner
vs.
State of Maharashtra & ors. — Respondents

Mr.R.K.Mendadkar along with Ms.Helen Koli-Mandlik for the petitioner.

Mr.R.D.Rane, A.G.P. for respondents 1 to 3.

CORAM : R. M. LODHA &
R. S. MOHITE,JJ.

DATED : 22nd March 2005

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Heard Mr.R.K.Mendadkar, the learned counsel for the petitioner and perused the order passed by the Scheduled Tribe Certificate Scrutiny Committee.

2. The petitioner in support of his caste claim that he belongs to Mahadeo Koli produced as many as 37 documents. To verify the correctness of the petitioner's caste claim the enquiry was got conducted through vigilance cell. The copies of the enquiry reports dated 25.02.2002 and 07.08.2002 were given to the petitioner. We find from the order of the Scrutiny Committee that all these documents have been duly considered. The appreciation of the entire material by the Scrutiny Committee does not suffer from any legal infirmity. The order of the Scrutiny Committee is

reasoned order. The learned counsel for the petitioner did not dispute that the caste of petitioner's father and uncle in the school Register is recorded as 'koli'. These documents are prior to the year 1950. Obviously, these documents have great probative value. The Scrutiny Committee cannot be said to have faulted in concluding on consideration of the entire material that the petitioner failed to establish that he belongs to tribe-Mahadeo Koli.

3. No case for interference is made out.

4. Writ petition is dismissed in limine.

(R.M. LODHA,J.)

(R.S. MOHITE,J.)